



Common Questions About Permitting

Questions:

1) How do I verify with the state who is listed as the registered agent for our LLC, Corporation, etc.?

2) When submitting my application, who do I make the check payable to?

3) Who is the financially responsible person when conducting a project and applying for a permit?

4) I just bought a company or a tract of land, how do I transfer the permit?

5) I want to start a business or begin a development how do I know which environmental permits I need?

6) How long does it take to get a permit and how much does it cost?

8) Should I hire a consultant to help me?

9) How can I check on the status of my permit?

10) What are the key things I can do to get my permit quickly?

Answers:

You may verify who is officially listed as the registered agent with your LLC, corporation, etc. by going to the N.C. Secretary of State Web site at <http://www.secretary.state.nc.us/corporations/>.

In many instances the check is made payable to NCDENR. However, we suggest you verify with the permitting authority before drafting and submitting a check.

This may vary depending on each division and the way in which their rules and regulations are written. Typically, it is the person who is in operational/financial control of the project.

This will vary depending on the division as well as the type of permit currently being held. Some permits are non-transferable. Contacting the appropriate division staff directly is the best way to find out.

You may contact your local environmental assistance coordinator to review your project plans and determine if environmental permits from DENR will be needed. They can also create a tailored permit list for your project. [Click here](#) to locate the coordinator near you.

This will depend on the type and what is required to obtain the permit. Some permits are simple while some may be complex. An environmental assistance coordinator can inform you of the permitting time frames as well as give you the cost of permit fees. You may also check out the [NCDENR permit handbook](#) to look up this information.

This will depend on what is required to obtain the permit. Some permits are simple while others may be complex. An NC DENR staff person can inform you of the permitting requirements and help you decide if an outside consultant would be beneficial and/or required.

You may contact your environmental assistance coordinator, contact the permit reviewer directly or visit our [online permit application tracker](#). If you have multiple permits your permit coordinator can develop a permit timeline for your project. [Click here](#) to locate the coordinator near you.

Please visit our [Permitting Tips and Timesavers](#) document to review “common” time-consuming mistakes and receive recommendations on how get started on the right track.